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Legal drinking age in province could see drop



Premier Brad Wall takes questions from delegates of the Saskatchewan Party at TCU Place in Saskatoon on Sunday morning. Delegates voted in favour of a resolution to lower the drinking age from 19 to 18 at their annual convention, which ran Friday to Sunday. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Going down to 18? Premier says more consultation still needs to be done

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The significance of one's 18th birthday may be getting a boost. A resolution to lower Saskatchewan's drinking age from 19 to 18 has been adopted by delegates at the Saskatchewan Party convention, but Premier Brad Wall says there's much more to be done before it's made policy. "We're not going to be moving forward with anything immediately, because there needs to be a much broader consultation," said Wall. "This is one consultation, but it's just party members and that's important, but there are many other groups." Wall said the province would be seeking feedback from a number of groups, like industry members, law en-

forcement and other agencies, before the age is lowered. "It's not government policy and we have work to do on this," said Wall. "We're very respectful of what convention resolutions say and don't say, but we also have a responsibility to the whole province." The motion was put forward by the Saskatchewan Party Youth, and Wall said one of the arguments they presented was that an 18-year-old can serve their country but cannot have a drink. Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Minister Donna Harpauer spoke against the resolution and Wall said he understands both stances on the argument, adding he feels organizations on both sides will be vocal on the matter. "I don't think we'll have to wait or solicit advice from some," said Wall. "I've been looking at some social media and others and I think we're going to get advice from groups that are vehemently opposed to any change and some who will be in favour of it." WITH FILES FROM THE CANADIAN PRESS (CTV SASKATOON)

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Saskatoon Centre MLA David Forbes speaks to Etheline Tom at Fire Creek Gas & Grill on 20th Street in Saskatoon, as another clerk works from behind protective glass, earlier this year. Forbes was touring the province to speak with workers and raise awareness of Jimmy's Law. JESSICA SMITH/METRO FILE

Province aims to protect late-night retail workers

Labour rules. New regulations include check-in system, personal emergency transmitters

The Saskatchewan government is changing labour rules in an effort to better protect late-night retail workers from violence.

Labour Minister Don Morgan told the Saskatchewan Federation of Labour convention in Regina that new regulations include a check-in system and personal emergency transmitters for all employees working alone in late-night retail establishments. The new regulations also include requirements for

safe cash-handling procedures and video cameras for businesses that are open late.

While the changes fall short of the Opposition NDP's call for the province to make employers schedule at least two employees per shift at night, the party's labour critic says they're still welcome.

"Working the night shift at a gas station or convenience store comes with increased risk. When I visited workers on the night shift, what I heard is that they felt anxious. They know about those sad cases where an employee has become a victim," MLA David Forbes said in a news release Saturday.

Earlier this year, Morgan said British Columbia looked at having two workers present at all times, but backed away from

the idea because he said it was too expensive and didn't necessarily improve safety.

Forbes, who had promoted Jimmy's Law with a provincial tour of late-night businesses, expressed satisfaction Saturday that some of its contents will be adopted in the new regulations.

"New Democrats feel strongly that victims like Jimmy Wiebe deserved better protection, and all steps to increase security and workplace safety are welcome," Forbes said in the news release.

Forbes added that enforcement of the new regulations will be critical, noting that the labour department released a study earlier this year that found many employers weren't following existing safety regulations. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Gas-station robbery

Jimmy's Law

The changed labour rules follow the death of Jimmy Wiebe, a clerk who was shot and killed during a robbery at a gas station in Yorkton, near the Saskatchewan-Manitoba border, in June 2011.

Friends and family of Wiebe signed a legislative petition earlier this year that called for the government to pass Jimmy's Law, a private member's bill to amend the Occupational Health and Safety Act to require at least two work-

ers on late-night shifts or ensure that a worker is behind locked doors or a barrier when alone.

They also called for more measures to protect workers including panic buttons, better lighting, barriers and security cameras.

Wiebe's murder was captured on video cameras — something that helped police find his killer.

Kyle Braeden Furness pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and was sentenced to life in prison in December 2011.

Blades to educate students on the dangers of drugs



Saskatoon Blades' Duncan Siemens, left, Dalton Thrower, Brenden Walker and Matthew Pufahl pose for a photo with the Odd Squad Productions logo located in downtown Vancouver. CONTRIBUTED

A group of Saskatoon Blades will be putting down their hockey sticks to educate Saskatoon students about the dangers of drug use.

Part of Project Faceoff, four members of the Blades toured Vancouver's Downtown Eastside in late October and on Tuesday they'll start taking what they learned to 22 schools in and around Saskatoon.

Det. Const. Matthew Ingrouille of the Saskatoon Police Service's Integrated Drug Unit travelled to Vancouver with the Blades and said the message they'll relay is an important one.

"The biggest message we

Project Faceoff

Duncan Siemens, who plays defence with the Blades, says the experience has been an eye-opener and he hopes he can give Saskatoon students information that will prevent them from getting involved in drugs.

try to get across, is for kids to have something on the tip of their tongue to be able say no," said Ingrouille. "Education is really the key to any sort of campaign against deviant behavior. Instead of

a bunch of police officers saying, 'don't do this because it's wrong or because it's illegal', we're teaching young people about why this is wrong and why we chose to make this illegal and they can make an informed decision."

He said one way to avoid drugs is to surround yourself with like-minded people and be passionate about something, pointing to the Blades players pursuit of hockey as a good example.

"It's just about finding what you really enjoy doing, being passionate about that and using that as your excuse," he said. **MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO**

Ottawa student escapes bomb blasts in Syria

Photos. University student documents harrowing experiences in war-torn country

JOE LOFARO
Metro in Ottawa

In the span of 10 days, Carleton University student Yaman Marwah went from sipping a coffee from a Second Cup in downtown Ottawa to escaping a barrage of deadly bomb blasts in Binnish, Syria.

The 18-year-old law and economics student met with Metro on Oct. 23, the day before his trip to his home country, and said he wanted to document his hu-

manitarian aid efforts with his camera on the front lines and show the footage to the outside world.

"There's a lot of people who don't believe what's happening," said Marwah at the time, alluding to conflicting reports from Syrian media and other news sources. "I have 5,000 (friends) on Facebook. Once I publish things from my own camera, my own lens, those 5,000 people will believe that this is actually happening in Syria."

"So once you hear it from a person you know personally, that's totally different."

Since arriving in Syria on Oct. 26, Marwah has been sharing photos on Facebook.

The most arresting photo

is the one he took after what happened to him on Saturday morning. In a Skype interview with Metro from Antakia, Turkey, Marwah explained how it will be a day he will never forget.

He said he was sitting in an Internet café looking at his photographs on a computer when he heard the roar of a plane nearby.

"When we went to the door toward the noise of the bombs, we were automatically — just by the force of the bomb — we were thrown away at least a metre back," said Marwah.

He said the blast was about 200 metres from where he was and he suffered a minor leg injury. Binnish was hammered by more rocket blasts, he said, which left about 15 dead

and 50 injured.

Reuters reported Saturday's attack in Binnish came from government fighter jets.

The next day he posted a photo he took of a four-storey housing complex that was completely levelled. At least one woman and two young children died from the attack, he said.

"What was going through my mind was I was supposed to be dead right now," said Marwah.

"It was the longest 10 days of my life."

Online

Go to metronews.ca to see Marwah's photos.



New Coptic pope in Egypt

Acting Coptic Pope Pachomios displays the name of 60-year-old Bishop Tawadros, soon to be Pope Tawadros II, during the papal election ceremony at the Coptic Cathedral in Cairo on Sunday.

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Yaman Marwah holds his camera as he speaks with a member of the Free Syrian Army on Oct. 26 as he is being driven to Taftanaz, Syria.

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Private member's bill. Conservative MP takes aim at CBC access requests

An Edmonton MP is aiming to open up the CBC to more access-to-information requests in a new private member's bill.

Edmonton-St. Albert MP Brent Rathgeber couldn't disclose all of the details of his private member's bill Sunday because it won't go to the House of Commons until Monday afternoon.

But he did say he is trying to correct a problem with how the CBC has used an exemption for journalistic and creative activities in dealing with access-to-information requests.

"The act as currently written allows the CBC to take sort of a blanket exemption approach that if any (access) requests deal with their journalistic programming or creative activities they just refuse to disclose."

Rathgeber said there should

be some sort of test to see if it would really hurt the broadcaster to release the information.

He said courts and the information commissioner have recognized the problem and he just wants to fix it.

"This is a problem here. This is not some vendetta or spite I have against the CBC. This is not what this is about at all."

NDP MP Charlie Angus said there are much bigger issues with access to information than the CBC.

"If he wanted to do something useful there is a lot better ways to do it. This is just feeding the base."

CBC spokesperson Angus McKinnon said the broadcaster would wait to see the bill before commenting on it.

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Aftermath. Sandy victims pray for relief, electricity

Storm victims went to church Sunday to pray for relief and give thanks for their deliverance as cold weather settling in across the New York metropolitan area compounded the misery for people already struggling with severe gasoline shortages and power outages.

Hundreds of parishioners in parkas, scarves and boots packed the pews and stood in the aisles for Mass at a chilly Church of St. Rose in flood-ravaged Belmar, N.J. Firefighters and police officers sat in the front rows and drew applause.

With about 700,000 homes and businesses in New York City, its northern suburbs and Long Island still without electricity six days after the storm, New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo

Having faith

"There's more happiness in life than there is the opposite. And it will be back."

Roman Catholic Bishop David O'Connell

mo warned that many homes are becoming uninhabitable and that tens of thousands of people are going to need other places to stay.

More than 900,000 homes and businesses in New Jersey were still without electricity.

Damage has been estimated at \$50 billion US, making Sandy the second-most expensive storm in U.S. history, behind Hurricane Katrina in 2005. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Felice Vazquez, 40, of Hoboken, N.J., greets a neighbour Sunday as she works at a table providing hot drinks and snacks, while the buildings around them remain without power due to damage caused by Superstorm Sandy.

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Pittsburgh zoo

Young boy mauled by wild dogs at zoo

A young boy visiting the Pittsburgh zoo with his mother and friends was killed Sunday when he fell about 14 feet off a deck into an exhibit that's home to a pack of African painted dogs, who pounced on the boy and mauled him, zoo officials said. It's not clear whether he died from the fall or the attack, said Tracy Gray

of the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium.

When the boy fell, other visitors immediately told staff members, who responded along with Pittsburgh police. Zookeepers called off the dogs and seven of them immediately went to a back building. Three more eventually were drawn away from the boy, but the last dog wouldn't come into the building, and police had to shoot him, officials said.

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NDP. Mulcair weighs in on U.S. election during weekend convention

Canada's Official Opposition is weighing in on the U.S. presidential election.

NDP Leader Tom Mulcair says he wants to work with someone who shares his party's values, particularly in terms of sustainable development — and on that issue President Barack Obama is more promising.

Mulcair says that regardless of who wins he will work with the president to promote the interests of Canadians.

The NDP leader made

the comments to reporters Sunday in Montreal, where Quebec party delegates were gathered for a weekend convention.

Others at the meeting, including the party president, say they are hoping for an Obama victory.

In a speech at the Montreal meeting, Mulcair urged NDP members to raise money and strengthen the party's ground game so that it can take down the Harper government in 2015. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Obama and Romney blitz swing states

Final push. Obama leading by a slight margin in key states as more than 27 million Americans vote in advance of Tuesday's election

U.S. President Barack Obama and Republican rival Mitt Romney engaged in a frenzied cross-country blitz of the remaining toss-up states Sunday, with both sides predicting victory in a race that remains too close to call just two days before Election Day.

National opinion polls showed a race for the popular vote in Tuesday's election to be so close that only a statistically insignificant point or two separated the two rivals.

But the majority of polls in the battleground states — especially in the Midwestern states of Iowa, Wisconsin and Ohio — showed Obama with a slight advantage, giving him an easier path to the 270 electoral votes needed for victory. No Republican has won the White House without carrying Ohio.

Making his closing case to voters Sunday in Des Moines, Iowa, Romney pledged, if elected, to work with Democrats to restore the American dream and bring the economy roaring back to life.

"We're Americans. We can do anything," Romney said. "The only thing that stands between us and some of the best years we can imagine is a lack of leadership — and that's why we have elections."

Obama, too, said he is willing to work across party lines to break Washington's gridlock, but assured some 14,000 supporters who gathered in Concord, N.H., that he would not compromise key Demo-



U.S. President Barack Obama, above, stops for a campaign rally in Concord, N.H., Sunday, while his Republican opponent, Mitt Romney, greets supporters as he campaigns in Des Moines, Iowa, before Tuesday's election.

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Battleground states

Under the U.S. system, the winner is not determined by the nationwide popular vote, but by state-by-state contests, making "battleground" states extremely important in such a tight race.

• **Deja vu?** That raises the possibility of a replay of the 2000 election when Republican George W. Bush won the presidency

with an electoral vote majority, while Democrat Al Gore had a narrow lead in the nationwide popular vote.

• **Registered voters.** Obama's campaign said it had registered 1.8 million voters in key battleground states, nearly double the number of voters they registered in 2008.

cratic priorities such as health care and college financial aid.

"I know I look a little bit older, but I've got a lot of fight left in me," Obama said. "We have come too far to turn back now. We have come too far to let our hearts grow faint. It's time to keep pushing forward."

The final national NBC/Wall Street Journal Poll, conducted from Thursday to Saturday, showed Obama getting the support of 48 per cent of likely voters, while Romney received 47 per cent.

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From Trump to Sandy, never a dull moment in 2012 campaign

The 2012 presidential campaign was indisputably the most expensive in American history. Some also maintain it was the nastiest. It was also one of the weirdest.

The nail-biting drama that was the race for the White House featured some unexpected supporting characters. These were some of them:

Superstorm Sandy as cupid: Chris Christie, the Republican governor of New Jersey, was among Obama's harshest critics for months, serving as one of Romney's top attack

dogs. That was all before Sandy decimated his beloved Jersey shore.

Christie has had nothing but effusive praise for Obama since the ferocious megastorm lurched through the mid-Atlantic region, saying the president's handling of the federal response has been "outstanding."

Clint Eastwood as angry old uncle at Thanksgiving dinner: The iconic Hollywood actor took to the stage at the Republican convention in August. Backstage, Romney report-

edly laughed throughout Eastwood's rambling, disjointed rant to an empty chair that was supposed to be Obama, even as the actor threw the prime-time convention off-schedule and became the subject of gleeful social-media ridicule.

Joe Biden as avenger: Seemingly mindful of the drubbing his boss was taking in the aftermath of the first debate, Biden showed up for his own showdown against Paul Ryan, Romney's running mate, with guns blazing. He sneered, he snickered, he sighed.

Donald Trump as constant source of embarrassment: Biden's over-the-top debate performance had nothing, however, on Trump's bids for media attention throughout the campaign. He proposed a challenge to Obama to release his academic records and passport applications in exchange for Trump donating \$5 million to the charity of the president's choice. For his troubles, Trump was utterly ignored by the White House and publicly chastised for making a fool out of himself. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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U.S. election. Politics will dominate markets this week

Stock markets will likely be in for quiet trading at the beginning of this week with traders cautious ahead of the U.S. election on Tuesday that is too close to call.

"It's a huge week on the political scene," said Colin Cieszynski, market analyst at CMC Markets Canada, who observed that China will also be in focus. The Communist Party's 18th Party Congress meeting kicks off on Thursday, which will see the leadership transition of the party and also the country.

The Toronto markets chalked up a rise of 0.65 per cent last week in the wake of positive Canadian earnings reports. New York markets were slightly lower despite strong U.S. economic data, including consumer confidence at the highest level in almost five years, and data showing expansion in the U.S. and Chinese manufacturing sectors.

The week was capped by a stronger-than-expected U.S. employment report for October as the American economy cranked out 170,000 jobs last month, higher than the 125,000 that had been expected, though the unemployment rate inched up

'Fiscal cliff'

Regardless of the outcome of the election, there is a growing amount of uncertainty over the so-called fiscal cliff facing the U.S. economy.

- The fiscal cliff refers to a variety of tax hikes and massive budget reductions that will come into effect at the end of December unless Republicans and Democrats can come together with an alternative budget plan.
- Economists warn such a shock could send the economy back into recession. International Monetary Fund chief Christine Lagarde recently warned that Canada would not escape the fallout from that.

0.1 of a point to 7.9 per cent.

The U.S. numbers for August and September were also revised upward to show an additional 84,000 jobs were created, but election jitters kept markets muted.

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Endangered pay phones prove their worth in emergencies

Telecom. While Sandy shows how valuable archaic technology can be, least-profitable booths in parts of Canada are threatened

The events of Superstorm Sandy are raising questions about the importance of pay phones in emergencies, even as two of Canada's largest telecom companies say they will tear out some public telephones unless they are allowed to sharply raise prices.

New Yorkers were forced to turn to their neighbourhood's coin-operated phones last week as flood waters knocked out power and cellphone reception in areas ravaged by Sandy, the massive storm that swept across the Eastern Seaboard.

But a push from Bell Canada and Bell Aliant Inc. could make it harder to find those pay phones in Canada during emergencies.

Earlier this year, both companies made applications to the Canadian Radio-television and



People wait to use a pay phone on Bright Beach Avenue on Oct. 31 in the Brooklyn borough of New York, after Superstorm Sandy knocked out cellphone reception. Despite their value during emergencies, pay phones may be cut even further in Ontario and Quebec if the CRTC doesn't approve price increases. JOHN MINICILLO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Telecommunications Commission for rate hikes that could double the price of a pay-phone call.

Under the submission, they are asked for the ability to boost the price of a local call to as much as \$1 each,

compared to the current price of 50 cents.

Then in September the two telecom companies added extra pressure to their request by saying that without a rate increase, they would be forced to get rid of their least-profit-

able pay phones.

That could mean that up to 25 per cent of their pay phones in Ontario and Quebec would disappear if the CRTC doesn't allow them to raise prices.

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Mini vs. full-size: iPad buyers weigh 1.8-inch difference



Employees hold a new full-size Apple iPad, fourth generation, left, next to the new Apple iPad mini at an Apple store in Chicago. The devices went on sale in stores Friday. M. SPENCER GREEN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Should you go 7.9 or 9.7? It's one of two big questions facing indecisive consumers who are thinking about buying a new iPad but aren't sure which one to choose.

The new iPad mini, which went on sale in Canada on Friday, has a 7.9-inch screen, versus the 9.7-inch display on the newest full-size iPad (that's about 20 and 24.6 centimetres for metric-system sticklers).

The other magic number to consider is 170 — as in the price difference between an iPad mini and a similarly equipped version of the latest large-sized iPad.

On the low end, a Wi-Fi-only 16-gigabyte iPad mini

is \$329, versus \$499 for the big iPad. The most expensive 64-gigabyte iPad mini — out later this month — is Wi-Fi and mobile-network-ready. It'll go for \$659, while the latest upgrade of the iPad with the same specs goes for \$829.

So is it worth an extra \$170 for the larger iPad? Or put another way, will price-conscious buyers regret not spending the extra \$170 if they go with the cheaper iPad mini?

The iPad mini's smaller screen brings down its cost and Apple also saved a few bucks by sacrificing a bit of screen quality. Since the third generation of the larger iPad, Apple has used its so-called

By the numbers

\$170

The price differential between the mini and full-size iPad.

Retina Displays, which have a resolution of 2,048 by 1,536 pixels, and a pixel density of 264 per inch.

In plain English, more pixels equal more detail and better sharpness. Because the iPad mini has a resolution of 1,024 by 768 pixels and a pixel density of 163 per inch, it is noticeably less sharp.

Text on the iPad mini has

some clear raggedness around the edges. But it may not be apparent to many users unless they're doing a side-by-side comparison with a larger iPad or another tablet with better screen resolution.

There are advantages to choosing the smaller screen including better portability and a more comfortable grip.

The iPad mini weighs in at about .68 pounds to the 1.44 pounds of the newest Wi-Fi-only iPad. It doesn't sound like a lot but the weight difference makes it far more comfortable to hold one-handed for long stretches of time. The smaller format also makes it easier to palm. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sex-abuse scandal

U.K. may launch public inquiry into BBC conduct

Britain's government could order a full public inquiry into the British Broadcasting Corp.'s handling of the Jimmy Savile sex-abuse scandal, the country's top media minister said Sunday.

Culture Secretary Maria Miller told the Sunday Telegraph newspaper that a formal investigation into the broadcaster could be launched, if its own internal inquiries don't



Jimmy Savile appears at a charity run in this October 2006 photo. GETTY IMAGES FILE

establish how the famed TV host's behaviour was allowed to go unchecked for decades. Savile has been accused of sexually abusing hundreds of vulnerable young people. He died last year at the age of 84.

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Media-ethics inquiry

New texts show close ties between Cameron, Brooks

A British lawmaker says he's asked the country's media-ethics inquiry to consider newly disclosed text messages sent between Prime Minister David Cameron and Rebekah Brooks, the ex-chief executive of Rupert Murdoch's British newspaper division.

The Mail on Sunday newspaper published two previously undisclosed messages exchanged between

the pair, who are friends and neighbours.

Brooks is facing trial on conspiracy charges linked to Britain's phone-hacking scandal, which saw Murdoch close down the News of the World tabloid.

In one newly disclosed message, Cameron thanked Brooks in 2009 for allowing him to borrow a horse, joking it was "fast, unpredictable and hard to control but fun." Opposition lawmaker Chris Bryant has asked a judge-led inquiry scrutinizing ties between the press and the powerful to examine the messages.

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'Milestone' agreement

ATMs, credit cards now an option for Myanmar tourists

Officials in Myanmar say three private banks have signed agreements with Visa to enable international travellers to use credit cards and withdraw cash from ATM machines by January.

Until recently, foreign visitors were barred from using credit cards in the Southeast Asian nation because of financial sanctions imposed by the

U.S. and EU to punish the former military regime.

Those restrictions were lifted earlier this year after democratic reforms, and some businesses have already begun accepting credit cards.

Than Lwin, deputy chairman of Kanbawza Bank, says the deal was agreed to between Visa and his bank as well as two others — Cooperative Bank and Myanmar Oriental Bank.

He called the agreement "a milestone" that will boost the tourism industry in particular.

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U.S. ON EDGE OF SOMETHING HERE



URBAN COMPASS
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Trudeau the Elder had a saying, which neatly explains Canada-U.S. relations in simple jungle Book terms:

"Living next to you is in some ways like sleeping with an elephant. No matter how friendly and even-tempered is the beast, if I can call it that, one is affected by every twitch and grunt."

Tomorrow, the U.S. is scheduled to undergo a doozie of a twitch and grunt, one that comes to pass every four years: A presidential election.

If you believe the polls, the race is so tight that no one can tell at this point if Twitch or Grunt will emerge the winner, so here on the other side of the bed, er, border, we don't know whether to roll over and go back to sleep or grab a blanket and head for the couch.

Wrong side of the bed

"You'd think your bunk mate would rate more interest, but for President Obama and 'Pretender' Romney, Canada remains a sleeping dog. Let it lie."

It's interesting. The U.S. presidential campaign has been a 24-7 media event for most of the last two years. Everything from health care to hurricanes has been viewed through the lens of the horse race.

Everything, but Canada.

You'd think your bunkmate would rate more interest, but for President Obama and "Pretender" Romney, Canada remains a sleeping dog. Let it lie.

So we don't have much to go on. U.S. Ambassador David Jacobson — it's his job to talk to Canadians — says getting the U.S. economy on track will have the biggest impact on Canada. "When we do well, you do well," he said recently.

Well, you could argue that the U.S. economy is getting better under Barack Obama, as it has enjoyed job growth for 25 months in a row. Mitt Romney says that's not good enough. So if Americans buy what he's selling, tomorrow morning we'll have a new elephant who promises that the economy will do even better.

Certainly, Romney would never have cancelled the Keystone XL pipeline, designed to pipe Alberta (and someday soon, Saskatchewan) oilsands bitumen to U.S. refineries on the Gulf Coast, but everyone expects Obama to approve a redirected plan that bypasses an environmentally sensitive zone in Nebraska.

Then there's that border. While the candidates furiously debate the southern border, they've virtually ignored the one to the north. Is that because they already have this one sealed up, thanks to the perimeter security and trade agreement signed by the U.S. and Canada last year? It basically means we police our border based on U.S. criteria, which critics call a loss of sovereignty. As if we haven't already lost enough.

Whoever gets elected, it looks as if we can experience four more years of benign neglect. Of course, all bets are off if the U.S. declares war on Iran or North Korea and we're expected to lend a hand. If you're opposed to shedding Canadian blood to advance U.S. geopolitical aims, better hope for Twitch, not Grunt. Or maybe that's Grunt, not Twitch. When U.S. interests are at stake, it doesn't really matter, does it?

Disturbance in the Force

Starfighter feeling Disney after all

George Lucas's filmmaking outpost, Skywalker Ranch, is so far removed from the Hollywood moviemaking machine he once despised that it may as well be on the forest moon of Endor.

Which is why the announcement that Lucas is selling the Star Wars franchise and the entire Lucasfilm business to the Walt Disney Co. for more than \$4 billion US is like a laser blast from outer space for Dale Pollock.

Pollock, the author of

the 1999 biography Skywalker, said George Lucas disdained the Disney culture in interviews he gave in the 1980s, even though he admired the company's founder. "He felt the corporate 'Disneyization' had destroyed the spirit of Walt," Pollock said.

Lucas said through a spokeswoman on Saturday that he never said such a thing. But his anti-corporate streak is renowned. In the Lucasfilm-sanctioned documentary Empire of Dreams, Lucas says on camera that he is "not happy that corporations have taken over the film industry." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

This ride will go down in history



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Step on the gas!

Pre-1905 cars put on some clicks

Participant Paul Noon drives his 1902 Westfield car in central London during the London to Brighton Veteran Car Run on Sunday.

More than 500 pre-1905 vehicles made their way on the historic 100-kilometre run from Hyde Park in London to coastal Brighton in southern England, in the world's longest-running motoring celebration spanning 116 years.

The run is not a race but an endurance event and the drivers are not competitors but participants, hence why there is no "first to Brighton" award.

All participants who complete the course receive a finisher's medal and certificate.

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The wheel deal

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All vehicles must be driven at an average speed of no more than 30 km/h and, in case of breakdowns, outside assistance is only permitted at designated locations.



A 1904 Aster car is shadowed by a double-decker bus during the run.

Library late fines easier to swallow

News Worth Sharing

Media will always have to report on the tough stuff. But we know that Canada is full of compassionate individuals, inspiring projects and stories worth celebrating. Here's just one.

An institution that typically feeds a hunger for knowledge just broadened its scope of sustenance.

In October, the library in

Saint Albert helped to feed the hungry by offering a little lenience on late fees.

In honour of Saskatchewan's Library Week (Oct. 15-21), John M. Cuelenaera Public Library launched its first fine-free week, waiving those pesky library fines for a good cause.

During that week, as patrons at the library were catching up on the latest reads and delving into some well-loved classics, they could bring in non-perishable food

items to donate to the Prince Albert food bank.

The library suggested bringing in canned goods, oatmeal, rice, cereal, soup and peanut butter. For each item of food donated, the library waived \$3 of their fines.

"Some of our patrons have been bringing in donations even if they don't have any fines, which has been an unexpected side benefit," says Jaclyn McLean, deputy director of the library.

Now that's some food for

thought.

CRAIG AND MARC KIELBURGER

Craig and Marc Kielburger are founders of international charity and educational partner, Free The Children. Its youth empowerment event, We Day, is in eight cities across Canada this year, inspiring more than 100,000 attendees. Email us for more information and to get involved. Help the good news get around. Send your stories of local heroes and positive action to goodnews@metowe.com and we'll share them right here.



Sally Field stars in Steven Spielberg's new film *Lincoln* as Mary Todd, the wife of the assassinated president. HANDOUT

What if Lincoln could send a text message?

Lincoln. Sally Field talks about getting to know co-star Daniel Day-Lewis through modern-day means



NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

Sally Field didn't have any rehearsal time for *Lincoln*, in which she plays Mary Todd Lincoln opposite fellow Oscar-winner Daniel Day-Lewis' Honest Abe. Luckily, the pair had another way to develop the rapport and sense of intimacy necessary to portray the long-married couple: text messaging. In character.

You and Daniel Day-Lewis would text each other, in character, before and during production?

I actually kept all the texts. I printed them up. I will keep them forever. They were breathtakingly wonderful and important to me because he kept doing it throughout the whole filming. He would write me after I'd done big scenes. It meant so much to me, and I will never reveal it. I will never reveal what they are. They are mine, they belong to me — a little like what Mary Todd felt about Mr. Lincoln. She burnt many of his letters. "He belongs to me." And that relationship belongs to me and I will never share it. But I will talk about the texts. It was

so wonderful and so funny, a lot of it. And so concise. You know, we were texting, but as precisely Mr. Lincoln and precisely Mary Todd as we could manage. In the middle of last summer, he took to sending me limericks, and I would answer him by being critical. You know, "Is this the way you spend your time?" And criticize his lack of intelligence and his use of language (laughs).

It seems daunting to apply that manner of language to typing with your thumbs on a phone.

Yeah. It was really hard to do. It was helped by the fact that I was in the midst of research myself, so I was reading all these letters that were written of the feeling of the time. The

way they used language was incredible. And also [screenwriter] Tony [Kushner]'s words were already being imprinted on my head, so I had some sense of the use of the language, and it was really a challenge much of the time to say what I wanted to say and not lose how it is that it should be said or it would be said at the time.

Have you ever done anything like that with a co-star before?

You know, I have never done a role that's this intense and emotional and connected to one human being and never have any rehearsal. We never had any rehearsal. So many of the scenes that you see between Mary and Mr. Lincoln are literally walk on set and

do it. And do very few takes. But we had done so much work, he and I, and I think we both have enough miles in the saddle, and the bubble that was created for us by Steven [Spielberg] and by him to stay immersed in this world, it made it very interesting and very challenging — but in a good way — to work. The difficulty is owning the language. It's so difficult to say.

It must be nice being one of the few people in this film that doesn't have to worry about outlandish facial hair.
No, but I had to worry about other things, like gaining weight.

You look fantastic now.
I haven't eaten since (laughs).

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Lawsuit against Spears' family thrown out of court

Britney Spears has one less headache to worry about, as a judge has dismissed former manager Sam Lufti's case against the singer and her family, according to Hollyscoop.

Lufti's suit had claimed that Spears' mom defamed

him in her book and her dad assaulted him and that Spears herself owed him nearly \$1 million in unpaid wages because of a verbal agreement that he would manage her for a four-year period. Lufti is reportedly planning to appeal.

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The Word



DiCaprio casts off another model girlfriend

Leonardo DiCaprio has called it quits with yet another fashion model girlfriend, reportedly breaking up with Erin Heatherton after about 10 months of

dating, according to Us Weekly.

"They split a few weeks ago. There's no bad blood, they still care about each other a lot," a source says.

"They're both just really busy. They had crazy schedules."

DiCaprio previously had long-term relationships with models Gisele Bündchen from 2001 to 2005 and Bar Refaeli from 2006 to 2011.



Emma Stone

Emma Stone not rushing to the altar anytime soon

Emma Stone and her Amazing Spider-Man co-star Andrew Garfield apparently couldn't be happier together, but that doesn't mean the world should be expecting engagement news anytime soon.

"There's no rush to get engaged. They are both young and ambitious," a source recently told Us Weekly.

"They just love spending time together. They are absolutely adorable together."

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and rub it on top of the bandage. In just seconds, the oil will seep into the bandage and viola: No more stickiness! The bandage just slides off and the skin is left soothed by the oil. **CHARITY GASPER, YUMMYMUMMYCLUB.CA**

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Four life lessons I have learned from my toddler

Wee ones. Two-year-olds actually have a lot of wisdom to impart

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Toddlers are incredible because, for the most part, they exist in a pure and natural state — untainted by society's expectations, standards and rules. They do what they want, when they want, until someone forces them to stop. They speak their minds and act without inhibition. Adults can learn a lot from them! Here's what mine has taught me.

Be persistent

If you want something badly enough, it's worth going after. Whether this means cajoling, bargaining, pleading or even stomping your feet. Even if someone is standing in the way of making your dream/goal/desire a reality, a healthy dose of conviction is sometimes all you need to break down that barrier. There's no talking my daughter out of

something once she's made up her mind.

Let your emotions flow

Have you ever watched a two-year-old process emotions? Mine can go from laughing hysterically, to crying, to sulking, to laughing in a matter of minutes. She expresses her emotions as she feels them, so she's never at risk of keeping them pent up. She doesn't know about holding a grudge and the longest she can stay angry with someone is five minutes.

Forget what others think

Do you ever wonder how you'd live your life if no one was watching? That's how my child lives every day. It may sound cliché, but it's totally liberating. I'm taking cues from her and quieting that inner voice that says, "What if they don't like me? What if they think I look fat?"

As my daughter practices her plié sauté on a busy sidewalk wearing a tutu and a mismatched hat with chocolate smeared on her cheek, I have to ask myself: who cares? And the answer I'm going for is: not me!



There is a lot adults can learn from toddlers. ISTOCK

Love yourself

My daughter is happiest when positioned in front of the full-length mirror in our front foyer. She'll sing, dance, and have full conversations with herself. She's so happy with her own reflection that she never looks

upon herself with criticism. This is what we all felt about ourselves when we were kids, before we started listening to the criticism of others. When was the last time you looked yourself in the mirror and felt nothing but love? When was

the last time you celebrated your accomplishments? Take a lesson from this kid and start loving yourself more today!

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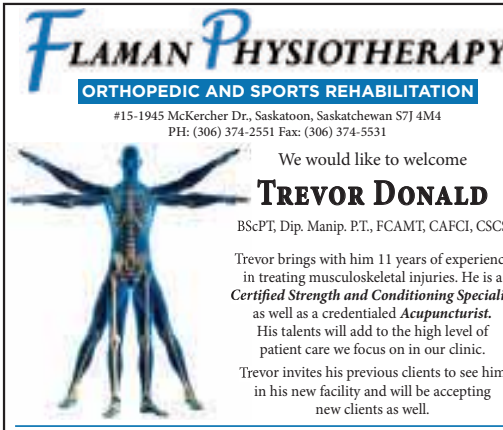
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Noticing some mo bros and sistas?



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In the next few weeks, you may see many men developing their whiskers in an exceptional way.

It's Movember — a combination of moustache and November — a time when men grow a moustache during the whole month of November.

By doing so, you participate in an awareness campaign against males' most pressing health issues, notably prostate cancer.

The worldwide campaign culminates in a multitude of fund-raising parties, with proceedings going to programmes dedicated to fighting against prostate cancer

and males' mental health.

Participation in Movember requires a guy to register for the campaign, with a completely shaved face starting on November 1.

The ultimate objective is to instill, throughout the month, discussions in all walks of life about the often ignored issues facing males' health.

Since its inception in 2004, Movember activities have spread around the world. Canada joined the movement in 2007 and this year such activities will be held in 21 countries.

In 2011, as many as 854,000 Canadians participated, raising \$125.7 million for the Movember Foundation.

Mo Sistas

So it's Movember, the month to grow moustaches and fight prostate cancer. And you are a female. Doesn't really concern you, does it?

Well, yes actually. There are ways women can also play a role, and a vital one at that, during the Movember campaign.

"Just because you can't grow a moustache doesn't mean you can't have a life-saving conversation, create awareness and contribute to a great cause," said Angela McNally of Toronto, who has been a Mo Sista since 2010 and currently sits on its Toronto committee. "Standing behind this



cause shows you are passionate to see a change in men's Health."

Mo Sistas play a crucial role during the campaign by acting as team captains, recruiting others to join, sparking conversations, lending support to Mo Bros who grow moustaches and raising general awareness for the importance of men's health, said Pete Mbombaci, director for Movember Canada.

There were more than 16,000 registered Mo Sistas last year. They have formed regional committees in Toronto, Calgary and Montreal.

GILBERT NDIKUBWAYEZU/FOR METRO

Movember expands scope to include mental health issues

In the spirit of continuing to address crucial issues that affect men's health, Movember has expanded its scope of campaign to include males' mental health.

Mental health problems affect 3.4 million Canadian males each year, said Pete Mbombaci, national director of Movember Canada, as he explained the reasons why the movement decided this year to include mental health in its campaign activities. In other words, one-in-five Canadian men is affected by mental health issues. This trend raises the rate of suicide among men. Despite the lower cases of depression reported, it has emerged that four out of five suicides among young Canadian people are committed by men. These alarming numbers are what prompted the Movember foundation to include mental health in its awareness campaign this year, Mbombaci said.

"This is an important step in the evolution of Movember as we're able to continue to address critical men's health issues," he said, adding that the goal is to get people to have discussions about it to reduce stigma and discrimination associated with it.

Movember intends to partner with other existing organizations in the



Movember campaign funds will also help raise awareness of men's mental health issues. ISTOCK IMAGES

mental health field to form an industry think tank that will possibly convene in January to address key areas where funding is needed. Once decided, mental health organizations across Canada will be able to apply for funding for projects in the given priority areas, Pete added.

At the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA), they've welcomed this Movember initiative, in as far as it will help men take recognition of mental health's severity.

"Many men don't believe they are susceptible to depression for ex-

ample," said Peter Coleridge, national CEO of CMHA. He said that, just like prostate cancer, men's mental health issues are not spoken about among people, yet this is "the second largest threat to men's health after accidents."

"We encourage all Canadians to maintain and improve their mental health, and seek support and help when needed," he said.

Peter said the Movember campaign will help direct males to resources available to them at CMHA and other health organizations across the country. GILBERT NDIKUBWAYEZU/FOR METRO



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French Toast gets a healthy facelift from multi-grain bread



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Pancake houses serve delicious French toast, cooked in loads of oil and smothered with butter and maple syrup. Delicious, but it's not healthy or low in fat. My version is delicious and healthy. Using the egg substitute lowers fat, calories and cholesterol.

1. Whisk the eggs, milk, cinnamon and vanilla together in a shallow bowl until well

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup egg substitute or 2 large eggs
- 3 egg whites
- 1/3 cup low-fat milk
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 tsp pure vanilla extract
- 4 slices multi-grain bread
- 3 tbsp pure maple syrup
- 1 tbsp sifted icing sugar
- 1/2 cup sliced strawberries

Nutritional analysis

Per one slice

- 107 calories; 6.3 g protein; 1.3 g fat; 0.4 g saturated fat; 16 g carbohydrates; 3.8 mg cholesterol; 160 mg sodium; 2.4 g fibre

blended. Dip a piece of bread into the mixture, making sure both sides are moistened. Do not leave the bread in the mixture for too long or the bread will fall apart. Repeat with another slice of bread.

2. Spray a large non-stick skillet with vegetable oil and place over medium heat. Cook 2 pieces at a time, browning each side, a total of about 5 minutes.

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Have you been dreaming in digital?

Educating the e-world. Graduates in this growing field don't just know their gear, they get the global picture

Cynthia Baron directs the master of professional studies in digital media program at Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. Like most graduate degrees of this kind, the Northeastern program only emerged in the past few years. She sat down with Metro to discuss this budding field of study.

Digital media studies are relatively new to the landscape of graduate de-

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Could you turn your fascination with computers into a full-time career? ISTOCK

Careers

Where do I go from here?

Cynthia Baron tells us what jobs digital media students wind up in?

"Interactive design, game design, web design, handheld media products, digital video, photography, 3D animation, web-based journalism. But, often, people come to us from specific fields — programming, engineering, art, design, communications, teaching — and they're looking to go back with a new skill set," she says.

how to use Microsoft Word, so that makes me a writer.

Are there fellowship opportunities in this field of study?

Fellowships in these areas are hard to come by. Most programs that do provide fellowships or TA positions offer them to a small number of students.

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grees. Why have so many schools developed these programs?

I think it's pretty obvious that it's market-driven in the sense that more and more of our lives are touched by digital technology.

There's a big difference between understanding how to use a piece of software and why you would design it that

way. And, when you put different processes together, it becomes very complicated.

There wasn't a place to study this in any one academic discipline.

Schools wanted to look at this phenomenon as a whole, instead of trying to do it piecemeal with added classes here and there in other areas of study.

What's the biggest misconception about graduate-level degrees in digital media?

People say, "Why do you need a degree in digital media? Couldn't I just take courses to learn how to use software?" You could, but that doesn't make you a digital media professional. That's like me saying I know

There's magic in your mistakes: success as defined by a Dragon

Telling it like it is. W. Brett Wilson tackles the tough side of getting to the top

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Dragons' Den co-star and Risky Business host W. Brett Wilson became one of Canada's top investment bankers, but learned

ness peers can come at the price of losing health, family and friends. In his new book *Redefining Success*, which is in stores tomorrow, Wilson tells the story of hitting the big-time financially while hitting rock-bottom personally, and what led him to redefine his life.

Metro caught up with Wilson to chat about success, business savvy and what it truly means to be satisfied.

If we're being completely

marginally in order to climb the professional ladder?

Yes, there are sacrifices for sure because we can only do one thing at a time and we have competing demands on our time. That simply drives home the relevance of setting priorities to steward one's time with.

What are three key warning signs that you are not balancing work and life properly?

There are many warning signs, but at the personal level when you aren't allocating time to

your health, your family and your friends ... quite simply you are not balancing life and work very well.

If I were hoping to get you to invest in my small business idea, what could I tell you that would make you back out immediately?

If you told me the idea was new and you thought it was worth a "flyer" I would question for passion, for the con-

cept and ability and interest in following through — meaning I am gonzo!

What has been the biggest risk you've ever taken in your professional life and did it yield positive or negative results?

The biggest risk I ever took, in the eyes of my family and friends and peers, was starting FirstEnergy — the energy-focused brokerage firm — as



the entrepreneur. I was comfortable with the risk (it was my life's focus after all), but there were many doubters. Did it work out? Financially it was a success. Personally, it absorbed every waking hour, to the detriment of key relationships in my life.

Can you recall a moment in your life where you felt like you achieved success wholly and completely?

Success is hard to measure, therefore it's hard to respond to the question.

Have I achieved success? The last line in my book offers: "A successful man is one who has earned the respect and admiration of others." I would add, "especially that of his children." On that basis — I hope I have achieved success. I know my life's work is far from done.



Wilson is chairman of both Canoe Financial and his Prairie Merchant Corporation and is a member of the Order of Canada. HEATHER FRITZ

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The In-Credibility Factor

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THE IN-CREDIBILITY FACTOR
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Torjman was working in the fashion industry in New York when he decided to move back to Canada and strike out on his own. He founded 18 Waits, and now his clothing and accessories are featured in high-end North American stores, like Holt Renfrew, and around the world in China, Japan and the United Arab Emirates.

I knew I was on my way when... we brought our

collection to sell at a very well regarded trade show in Paris and New York and it was incredibly well-received.

We showed alongside the best brands in the world for buyers who came from all over the world and everyone loved our brand and collection. It was pretty exciting as the people who walk these shows are educated, skilled and acutely aware of what's happening in the fashion world on an international level. And we fit right in.

Action Plan

- Be well organized. It's so easy for things to get out of hand — and quickly — when starting a business. Set up a good system of organization right off the bat so you're off to a good start and not trying to clean up messes down the road.

- Surround yourself with the right people. Don't have an ego about it. Find great people to work with and let them do what they're best at without getting in their way.

- Don't give up. It doesn't matter what industry you're in; starting and running your own business is not easy. But if your goal or dream is to do it then all the work is worth it. Don't get frustrated by small failings or not succeeding as fast as you would have hoped. It takes a few years for a business to really find its legs and start working. Lastly, work your ass off. Because that's what it takes to make it work. If you love what you do — which I do — the work is fun and exciting, as opposed to laborious and boring. Love what you do and then work your ass off doing it.



Daniel Torjman. LEETA HARDING



Roughriders receiver Greg Carr fails to make the catch as Lions Korey Banks and Ryan Phillips defend on Saturday in Vancouver. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Riders set to tangle with red-hot Stamps

CFL. West semifinalists enter playoffs on two different trajectories

Jon Cornish and the Calgary Stampeders are heading into the CFL playoffs on a nice roll.

Calgary ended its regular season with a fourth straight victory, a 30-27 decision over the Edmonton Eskimos on Friday night. The Stampeders (12-6) had already clinched second in the West and the right to host the division semifinal Sunday, but will do so with the CFL's second-best record be-

By the numbers

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Jon Cornish entered Friday's game against Edmonton needing just 50 yards to surpass Norm Kwong's mark. He ended up with 14 carries for 69 yards, finishing the regular season with 1,457 yards. In his four games against Edmonton this season, he accounted for more than 500 of those yards.

hind B.C. (13-5) after winning eight of 10 games since Sept. 3.

Calgary will host Saskatchewan in playoff action next weekend. The Riders (8-10) were one of two teams to beat the Stampeders down the

stretch, registering a 30-25 victory on Sept. 23.

But while Calgary is the CFL's hottest team heading into the playoffs, the Riders are limping in, having lost four straight.

The Toronto Argonauts (9-9) will host Edmonton (7-11) in the East Division semifinal Sunday. The Argos finished second in the conference, while the Eskimos were last in the West but grabbed the crossover berth by posting a better record than the Hamilton Tiger-Cats and Winnipeg Blue Bombers (both 6-12).

Saskatchewan will also have to contend with a formidable Calgary ground attack an-

chored by Cornish.

The native of New Westminster, B.C., was the CFL's leading rusher this season with 1,457 yards and the first Canadian to be the league's top runner since Ottawa's Orville Lee in 1988. Cornish also surpassed the legendary Norm Kwong (1,437 yards in '56) as the top rushing Canuck in a season.

But Cornish is by no means the lone offensive weapon in Calgary's arsenal.

Veteran slotback Nik Lewis had a league-high 100 catches and was fourth overall in receiving yards with 1,241 and also had 10 touchdown grabs.

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CFL. 'Streaks don't matter in the playoffs': Chamblin



Riders quarterback Drew Willy passes against the Lions on Saturday in Vancouver. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Despite a low-scoring regular-season finale, the B.C. Lions are right where they want to be.

The Saskatchewan Roughriders are a different story.

The league-leading Lions defeated the Riders 17-6 on Saturday in Vancouver.

It was Roughriders pivot Drew Willy's second career start in the CFL. J.T. O'Sullivan, the one-time San Francisco 49ers starter, took over behind centre in the second half.

Darian Durant was given the night off to rest. He suffered a helmet-to-helmet blow on Oct. 27 but will likely be behind

centre in Calgary.

Despite entering the post-season on a four-game losing streak, the Riders are optimistic.

"(Going into the playoffs) when you look at it, everybody's 0-0," said Saskatchewan head coach Corey Chamblin. "Streaks don't matter in the playoffs."

The defence held Saskatchewan to just two field goals and 11 first downs.

Sandro DeAngelis had the lone points for Saskatchewan, a field goal in each half.

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WHL

Blades work overtime on road

Overtime was both a friend and foe of the Saskatoon Blades over the weekend.

The Blades went into Kootenay on Friday night and battled to a 3-2 overtime win over the Ice. Forward Shane McColgan scored the winning goal, despite the home team outshooting the visitors 36-20.

On Saturday night the tables turned on the Blades in Lethbridge where they fell 5-4 in overtime to the Hurricanes.

The Blades (7-9-0-1) return home to face the Regina Pats (7-11-1-0) on Friday night at Credit Union Centre. Puck drop is at 7:05 p.m. **METRO**

CIS football

Rams top Huskies to book spot in Hardy Cup

The University of Regina Rams beat the University of Saskatchewan Huskies 31-9 on Friday at Mosaic Stadium.

The snowy Canada West semifinal was tight at halftime, with the Rams leading by only one point, 10-9. The second half was all Rams, though, as they dominated 21-0.

Rams slotback Landon Buch surprised many with his two touchdowns, 130 receiving yards and six catches.

Regina advances to the Hardy Cup on Saturday against the University of Calgary at McMahon Stadium at 2 p.m. **METRO**

NHL

Hope springs from marathon meetings

The conversation is flowing again between the NHL and NHL Players' Association.

A marathon meeting between deputy commissioner Bill Daly and NHLPA special counsel Steve Fehr stretched from Saturday afternoon into the early hours of Sunday morning, and was followed by some encouraging news: The sides expect to return to the bargaining table on Tuesday in New York.

"We met on and off for most of the day and covered a lot of ground," Daly told The Canadian Press via email. "We plan to meet again early in the week."

Daly and Fehr got together at an undisclosed location to shield themselves from media spotlight and start finding a way forward in negotiations.

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Someone will introduce you to a new idea today and while it may be a bit uncomfortable you will benefit intellectually. But don't get too radical in your thinking: the answers you seek are mainly in the middle ground.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Unexpected developments will throw up new challenges and opportunities over the next few days. Are you ready for them? Are you willing to adapt? Only those who know how to think and act fast will gain in the long-term.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Your ability to visualize what it is you want to accomplish will make things easy for you this coming week. Others may say you are chasing rainbows, and maybe you are, but at least you have a dream of some sort.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Although you may want to comfort someone who has a whole load of personal problems don't make it look as if you condone their negative behavior. Overall, they have only themselves to blame. Sad but true.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

If you don't ask you won't get, so speak up and let others know what it is you want from them. Their response may not be entirely positive but it won't be entirely negative either. You'll get something at least.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

The planets warn there is still a lot of work to be done to get from where you are now to where you most want to be. The good news is you have a clearly defined goal and can start working towards it.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You won't be short of ideas and you won't be short of opinions. The one thing you may be short of is the ability to see that not everyone thinks the same way as you. What happened to your Libra sense of balance?

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Try not to lapse into negative patterns of behavior, especially where money matters are concerned. If you think you are going to lose out in some way your thoughts will create circumstances that are likely to make it happen.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Some people seem to think that your main task in life is to look after them. It's about time you let them know it isn't true. Cut off assistance today and let them fend for themselves. In the long-term it will do them good.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Differences of opinion on the work front need to be resolved this week. Colleagues and employers are ready to talk business but are reluctant to make the first move. Fortunately you're much braver than they are.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

If you can get away at short notice this is a good time to travel, but if you are stuck in one place there are other ways you can make life interesting. Use your imagination. What you think today you'll be doing tomorrow.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You seem to believe that someone is plotting against you. Common sense should tell you there is nothing to fear
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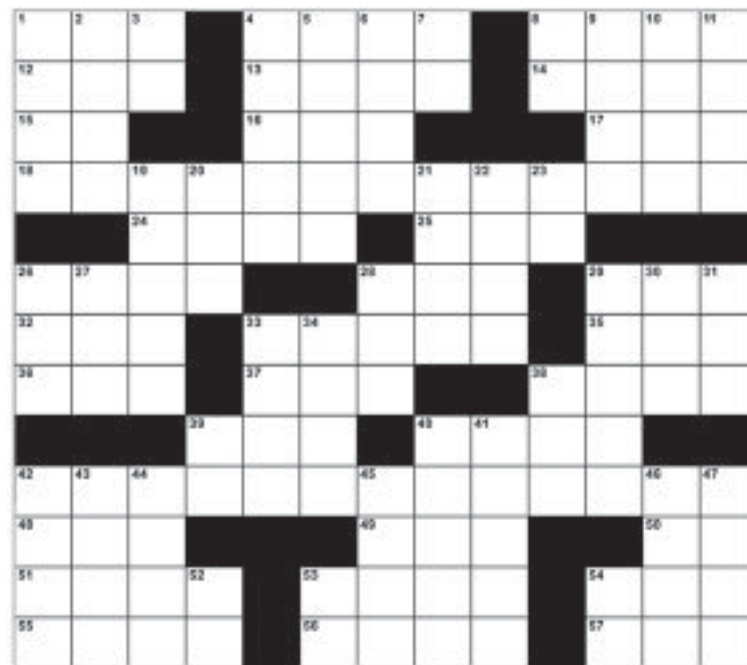
Canadian Crossword

Across

- Football official
- Dick and Jane's dog
- Leave out
- Appendage
- Docile
- Arson
- Circle ratio
- Actress Gardner
- Negative vote
- Flighty fellows
- Enemies
- Chat room access provider
- Construction area
- Many thousand (abbr.)
- Form of address
- High card
- Hillock
- Afternoon social
- Actor James Van - Beek
- Three, in Rome
- Quiet!
- Possess
- College official
- Insatiable Sesame Street character (2 words)
- Decide on
- Picnic pest
- Egyptian Sun God
- Den
- Fragrance
- Brand name for pens
- As well as
- Extremely
- Haw

Down

- Knocks sharply
- Actor McCormack
- Radio dial
- Avow
- Re-tars the road
- Actor Epps of House, M.D.
- Deum
- "East - Eden"

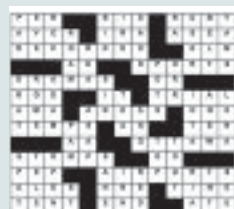


- Skirt length
- Neighbour of Iraq
- Golf gadgets
- Comes up next
- Digit
- Remove water
- Dinner accompaniment
- Actor Pacino
- Dismal
- Keeps drinks cold
- Me, to Miss Piggy

- Dangerous feat
- Plural ending
- Cheer
- New Zealand fruit
- Star Trek: Deep Space —
- This Hour — 22 Minutes
- Give the go-ahead
- Blood giver
- Access
- Type of pop
- October birthstone

- Elevator maker
- Erected
- Great lake bordering Lake Ontario
- The Amazing —
- Former co-host of The View (init.)
- Ottawa valley (abbr.)
- Old time "Road to..." actor (init.)

Yesterday's Crossword



What's online

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

4	8	5	6	7	2	3	1	9
2	3	1	6	9	4	8	7	5
6	9	7	5	1	3	2	4	6
6	7	9	1	3	6	4	2	8
5	1	4	2	8	6	7	9	3
3	2	8	9	4	7	6	5	1
1	8	2	4	6	9	5	3	7
7	5	6	3	2	1	9	8	4
9	4	3	7	5	8	1	6	2

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4		5		9		1		2

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Variable

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